



## INFORMATIONAL MEMO

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### **Purpose and Audience:**

The purpose of this Informational Memo is to inform stakeholders about the establishment of the Task Force required by Senate Bill 18-231 whose charge is to make recommendations for improving transitions from the educational system to Home and Community Based Services for students with disabilities. Information about the Task Force webpage and the first Task Force meeting is included.

### **Information:**

On May 30, 2018 the Governor signed [Senate Bill \(SB\) 18-231](#) into law. The bill establishes a Task Force "composed of interested parties to determine what can be done to ease the transition from the educational setting and inform the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing of the number of children with intellectual and developmental disabilities who may be in need of services in any year" [SB 18-231, Section 1(1)(e)]. The bill is designed to address the fact that "children with disabilities and their parents experience difficulties in transitioning from receiving services in the educational setting to receiving services through the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing" [SB 18-231, Section 1(1)(c)]. The Departments of Education and Health Care Policy and Financing are collaborating on the implementation of this bill.

Interested stakeholders can find information about the Task Force, including member information, meeting information and contacts for comments and questions, on the

Department website at: <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/senate-bill-18-231-transition-planning-task-force>.

#### Task Force Meeting #1

The first meeting of the Task Force will be held on Monday, September 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the Colorado Trust (Sabin Room – lower level), 1600 Sherman St., Denver CO 80203. The Colorado Trust has an accessible ramp on the 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue, (south) side of the building. Stakeholders can attend these meetings in person, by telephone or webinar. Meeting information can be found on the Task Force webpage at: <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/senate-bill-18-231-transition-planning-task-force>.

The Sabin Room at the Colorado Trust can accommodate the Task Force and approximately 30 other attendees.

#### **Attachment(s):**

Signed version of Senate Bill 18-231:

[https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/sites/default/files/2018a\\_231\\_signed.pdf](https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/sites/default/files/2018a_231_signed.pdf)

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